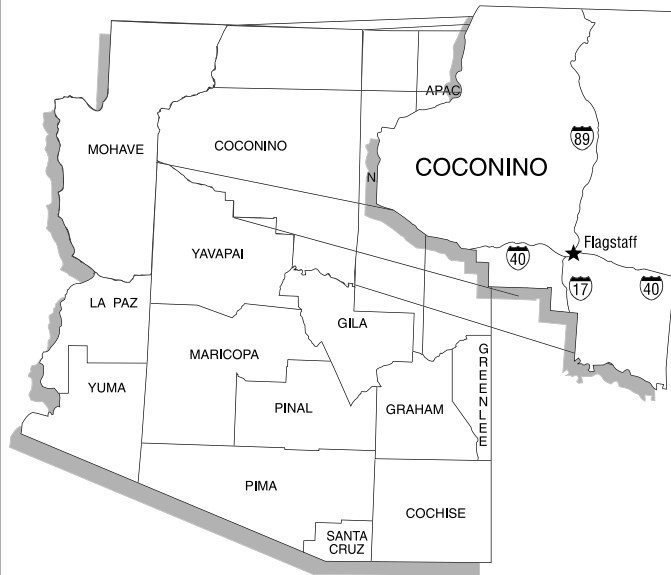


## Profile:

# Coconino County, Arizona



**C**oconino County, carved out of Yavapai County, was created by the 16th Territorial Assembly in 1891. That same year, an election was held to determine the permanent county seat. Flagstaff, which had been designated the temporary county seat, won out over Williams by a vote of 419 to 97. Flagstaff, home of Northern Arizona University, remains the county seat. The original county courthouse, with additions, is still in use.

Coconino County lies in the central region of northern Arizona, which was crossed by Spanish expeditions during the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries, and by fur trappers and traders in the 1820s and 1830s. Cattle and sheep ranching started in the 1870s and, when the railroad began serving the area a decade later,

the lumber business boomed. The county is a year-round mecca for outdoor activities.

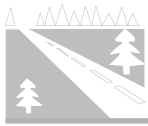
With 18,608 square miles, Coconino is the second largest county in the United States and the largest in Arizona, but is one of the most sparsely populated. It is characterized by rugged mountains, deep canyons and thick forests of pine, spruce, piñon, aspen and oak. Within its borders are many scenic sites – the most popular and impressive is Grand Canyon National Park. Other attractions are Oak Creek Canyon, Sunset Crater National Monument, prehistoric Indian ruins at Wupatki, Walnut Canyon, the Navajo National Monument, the San Francisco Peaks, Arizona's highest point at 12,633 feet, and Lake Powell, with 1,960 miles of shoreline.

Indian reservations comprise 38.1 percent of the land and are home to the Navajo, Hopi, Paiute, Havasupai and Hualapai tribes. The U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management control 32.3 percent of the land; the state of Arizona owns 9.5 percent; other public lands comprise 6.8 percent; and the remaining 13.3 percent is owned by individuals or corporations. The central corridor of Coconino County has been designated as an Enterprise Zone, as well as the central corridor of the City of Flagstaff.

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## Coconino County At-A-Glance

**County Seat:** Flagstaff

**2002 Population:** 122,770

**2002 Labor Force:** 63,175

**Unemployment Rate:** 5.5%

**Major Industries:** Services, Retail Trade,  
Public Administration

**Best Paying Industries:** Public  
Administration; Transportation & Public  
Utilities; Finance, Insurance & Real Estate

Sources: Population Estimates, Population Statistics Unit, Research Administration and 2002  
Preliminary Special Unemployment Report, Arizona Department of Economic Security.

## Incorporated Cities



*Note: The Navajo Nation communities of  
Leupp and Tuba City are unincorporated.*



## Population

	1990	2000	2002
Arizona	3,665,228	5,130,632	5,472,750
Coconino County	96,591	116,320	125,420

### Major Cities/Communities

Flagstaff	45,857	52,894	59,160
Fredonia	1,207	1,036	1,090
Leupp, Navajo Nation	1,503	970	1,045*
Page	6,598	6,809	7,040
Sedona (Coconino & Yavapai)	7,720	10,192	10,540
Tuba City, Navajo Nation	7,323	8,225	8,864*
Williams	2,532	2,842	2,910

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arizona Department of Economic Security, Population  
Statistics Unit

\* Based on county growth rate

## Age Distribution

	% of total
0-14	23.7%
15-24	19.5%
25-44	29.2%
45-64	20.7%
65+	7.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, April 1, 2000 Census

## Population Composition\*

Race	% of total
White	63.1%
African American	1.0%
Native American	28.5%
Asian or Pacific Islander	0.9%
Other	6.5%
Totals	100.0%
Hispanic Heritage*	10.9%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, April 1, 2000 Census



## Labor Force

\* Persons of Hispanic heritage can be of any race

## 2002 Civilian Labor Force

	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate
Arizona	2,493,892	5.8%
Coconino County	63,175	5.5%

### Major Cities/Communities

Flagstaff	34,047	4.3%
Fredonia	720	5.0%
Leupp, Navajo Nation	N/A	N/A
Page	4,497	4.3%
Sedona (Coconino & Yavapai)	5,587	1.7%
Tuba City, Navajo Nation	3,388	14.7%
Williams	1,566	2.6%

Source: Arizona Dept. of Economic Security, 2002 Special Unemployment Report.

## 2002 Employment by Sector

Agriculture	349*
Manufacturing	2,950
Mining and Quarrying	100
Construction	2,550
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities	1,625
Trade	14,000
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	1,375
Services and Miscellaneous	16,100
Government	20,450

Source: Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, State of Arizona Economic Security Research Administration, 2002.

\* Agricultural figure from 2001 4th Quarter, Arizona ES202 Data, AZ Dept. of Econ. Security in cooperation with the U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

## 2001 Total All Occupations

Employment	51,200
Hourly Compensation	
Median Wage	\$10.62
Average Wage	\$13.20
Entry Wage	\$ 6.08
Experienced	\$16.32

## Employment by Occupation - Average Wages

	Employment	Avg. Wages
Office & Administrative	8,270	\$11.25
Food Preparation & Serving Related	7,300	\$7.07
Sales & Related	5,490	\$10.10
Education, Training & Library	4,030	\$14.07
Construction	3,010	\$15.04
Healthcare Practitioners & Tech. Occupations	2,960	\$21.19
Management	2,890	\$27.84

Source: Prepared by the Ariz. Dept. of Economic Security, Research Administration in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, December 30, 2002

## Major Employers

Employer	Employment Type
ARA Leisure Services, Page	Park Concession
City of Flagstaff	Government
Coconino Community College, Flagstaff	Colleges and Universities
Coconino County, Flagstaff	Government
Flagstaff Unified School District, Flagstaff	School
Flagstaff Medical Center, Flagstaff	Medical
Grand Canyon Railway, Williams	Scenic Tours
Kaibab National Forest, Williams	Federal Government
National Park Service, Page	Federal Government
Navajo Generating Station, Page	Utilities
Navajo Government Executive Branch, Navajo Nation	Government

Navajo Tribal Utility Authority, Navajo Nation	Utilities
Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff	Colleges and Universities
Pittsburg & Midway Coal Mining Co., Navajo Nation	Mining
Nestle Purina Petcare, Flagstaff	Manufacturing Dog and Cat Food
Samaritan Family Health Center, Grand Canyon	General Medical and Surgical Hospital
Tooh-Dineh Industries, Leupp	Manufacturing
Tuba City Indian Medical Center	Medical
Tuba City Unified School District #15	Education
Walgreens Distribution, Flagstaff	Distribution
Wal-Mart Discount Cities, Flagstaff	Discount Department Stores
Wal-Mart Discount Cities, Page	Discount Department Stores
Window Rock Unified School District	School
SCATissue, Flagstaff	Paper Products
W.L. Gore and Associates, Inc., Flagstaff	Mfg., Medical Products

Source: Local sources

## Electric Service

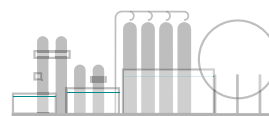
### Major Suppliers:

APS (statewide)	(800) 253-9405
Navajo Tribal Utility Authority	(928) 729-5721

## Natural Gas Service

### Major Suppliers:

AmeriGas (Utah)-Coastal Gas (propane only)	(801) 664-2915
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## Utilities

Black Mountain Gas Company (propane only)	(928) 645-2391
Coast Gas, St. George, Utah	(801) 634-0552
Citizens Arizona Gas	(928) 774-4591
Graves Propane Co.	(928) 526-3147
Southern Union Gas Co.	(928) 445-2210

## Water and Sewer

For information, contact the City of Flagstaff, (928) 779-7637, the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority, (928) 729-5721, or the Division of Economic Development Office, Navajo Nation, (928) 871-6544.

For additional information, see specific community profile or contact the local chamber of commerce directly.

## Telephone

### Major Suppliers:

Navajo Communications Company, Inc.	(928) 871-5581
Qwest Communications	(800) 244-1111
South Central Utah Telephone Assn.	(435) 826-4211





## Medical

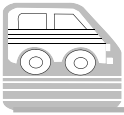
### Major Hospitals:

Aspen Hill Hospital, Tuba City	(928) 283-6808
Flagstaff Medical Center, Flagstaff	(928) 773-2309
Page Hospital, Page	(928) 645-2424



## Education

Flagstaff Unified School District	(928) 527-6000
Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff	(928) 523-9011
Coconino Community College, Flagstaff	(928) 527-1222
Coconino Community College, Page	(928) 645-3987



## Tranportation

### Highways

Interstate 40, I-17, U.S. 89, U.S. 160, U.S. 180, state Highway 64, state Highway 66, state Highway 67, state Highway 87, state Highway 89, state Highway 89A, state Highway 98, state Highway 99, state Highway 260, state Highway 264, Indian Route 2, Indian Route 15, Indian Route 18

### Bus Lines

Gray Line Sightseeing Tours, Greyhound Bus Lines, Mountain Line Transit, Northern Arizona Shuttle And Tours, Inc. and Open Road Tours & Transporation.

### Rail Service

AMTRAK	(800) 872-7245
Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway	(800) 289-2673

## Trucking Service

Consolidated Freightways and Yellow Freight System Inc.

## Air Service

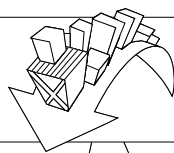
### Major Airports

<b>Grand Canyon Airport</b>	(928) 638-2446
Functional Class:	Commercial Service
Elevation:	6,606'
Ownership:	Public
Use:	Commercial, Public
Nav-aids:	ILS/VOR
Runway:	03/21 Length: 8,999' Width: 150'
Surface:	Asphalt

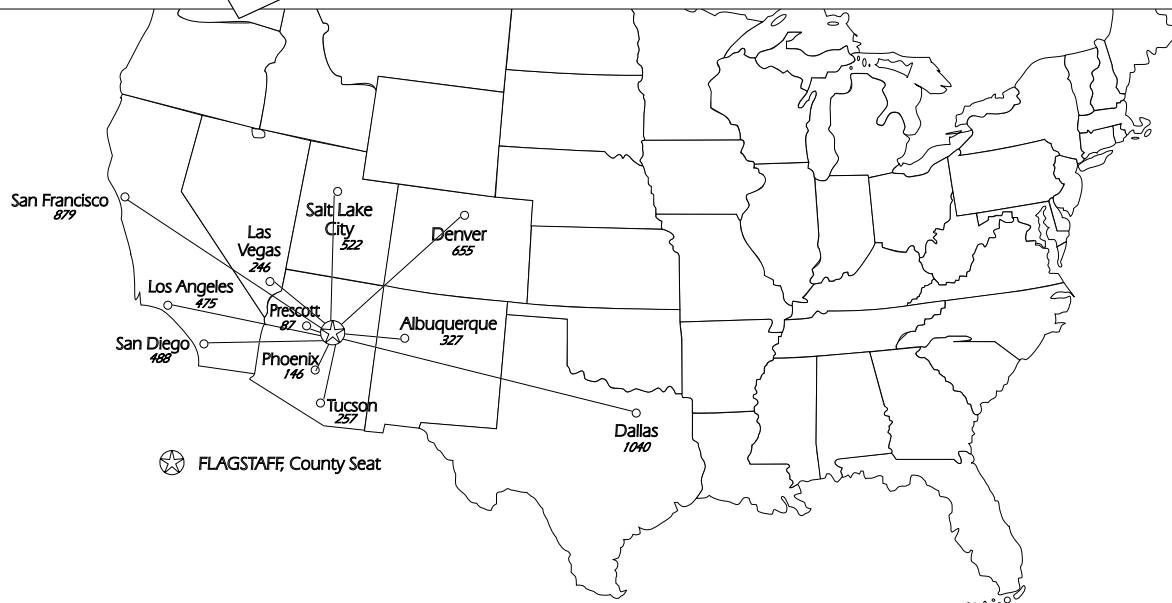
<b>City of Page Airport</b>	(928) 608-0639
Functional Class:	Commercial Service
Elevation:	4,310'
Ownership:	Public
Use:	Public, Commercial
Nav-aids:	TVOR
Runway:	07/25 Length: 2,200' Width: 75'
Surface:	Gravel
Runway:	15/33 Length: 5,499' Width: 150'
Surface:	Asphalt

<b>Flagstaff-Pulliam Airport</b>	(928) 556-1234
Functional Class:	Commercial Service
Elevation:	7,011'
Ownership:	Public
Use:	Commercial, Public
Nav-aids:	VOR/DME/ILS
Runway:	03/21 Length: 6,999' Width: 150'
Surface:	Asphalt

<b>Tuba City</b>	(928) 871-4660
Functional Class:	Basic Service
Elevation:	4,966'
Ownership:	Native American
Use:	Public
Nav-aids:	None
Runway:	01/19 Length: 4,475' Width: 52'
Surface:	Asphalt

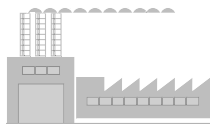


## Distance to Major Cities



Airport Name: **H. A. Clark Memorial Airport**  
(928) 635-1280  
Location from town: 3 miles from Williams  
Functional Class: Basic Service  
Elevation: 6,680'  
Ownership: Public  
Use: Public/Commercial  
Nav-aids: None  
Runway: 02/20 Length: 3,965' Width: 40'  
Surface: Asphalt  
Runway: 18/36 Length: 6,000' Width: 60'  
Surface: Asphalt

Source: Department of Transportation, Arizona Airports Land Use Compatibility Study



## Industrial Facilities

### Flagstaff

Flagstaff has seven industrial and office parks varying in acreage. For additional information, contact the Greater Flagstaff Economic Council at (928) 779-7658.

### Page

Page has one industrial park (102 acres) with all utilities and highway access. For further information, contact the City of Page (928) 645-8861.

### Leupp, Navajo Nation

One park (100-acres) with office and light industrial space is available. Contact the Industrial Development Unit - Project Development at (928) 871-6968 for leasing information.

### Tuba City

A proposed industrial park (50 to 100 acres) with utilities will soon be available by the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority. For more information, contact the authority at (928) 729-5721.

### Williams

Several areas owned by private individuals and the City of Williams may be available for industrial subdivision. There is access to I-40, railroad, and a municipal airport. Contact Williams-Grand Canyon Chamber of Commerce, 200 W. Railroad Ave., Williams, AZ 86046, (928) 635-1418 or the City of Williams at (928) 635-4451.



## Financial Authorities

## Industrial Development Authorities

### Industrial Development Authority of Coconino County

Mr. Gerry Horowitz, President  
Gerry Horowitz, CPA  
912 North Beaver Street  
Flagstaff, AZ 86001  
(928) 779-6716/Fax: (928) 779-1589/Email: ghcpa@infomagic.net

### Industrial Development Authority of Flagstaff

Mr. Dan Stoops, Statutory Agent  
Magnum, Wall, Stoops, Warden  
P.O. Box 10  
Flagstaff, AZ 86002  
(928) 779-6951/Fax: (928) 773-1312/E-mail: mwsuatty@aol.com

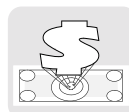
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## Commercial Banks

Bank of America  
Bank One  
Community First Bank  
County Bank  
First State Bank

National Bank of Arizona  
Norwest Bank  
Stockmen's Bank  
Wells Fargo Bank



## Taxes

## Corporate Income Tax

Effective January 1, 2002, the corporate income tax rate is 6.968 percent.

Source: Arizona Department of Revenue

## Property Tax

Community	School District	City/Fire	Total	Total Outside City
Flagstaff	6.7590	1.7127	10.2467	8.5340
Fredonia	3.9532	0.0000	5.7782	5.7282
Page	4.7553	0.0000	6.5303	6.5303
Williams	5.2363	1.5930	8.6043	7.0113

Source: Arizona Tax Research Foundation, 2002 (Rate is per \$100 of assessed value)

## Sales Tax

Effective May, 2002, the state imposes a 5.6 percent transaction privilege (sales) tax on most business activities. Coconino County has a .80 cent general sales tax. Flagstaff has a 1.574 percent sales tax. Page and Fredonia have a 2 percent sales tax. Page has an additional 2 percent tax on hotel and motel stays. Williams has a 3 percent sales tax and a separate 4.25 percent tax on hotel and motel stays.

## Payroll Tax

Payroll taxes in Arizona are computed based on federal filing by employers and employees. Generally, withholding for state payroll taxes is between 10 and 32 percent of federal withholding based on employees' income.

Source: Arizona Department of Revenue



## For Further Information

**City of Flagstaff**

211 W. Aspen  
Flagstaff, AZ 86001

(928) 779-7632  
FAX: (928) 213-3010

**Dineh Cooperatives, Inc.**

P.O. Box 2060  
Chinle, AZ 86503

(928) 674-3411  
FAX: (928) 674-3417  
dinehcoops@aol.com

**Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce**

101 W. Route 66  
Flagstaff, AZ 86001  
www.flagstaff.az.

(928) 774-4505  
FAX: (928) 779-1209  
chamber@flagstaff.az.us

**Greater Flagstaff Economic Council**

1300 S. Milton Road, Ste. 125  
Flagstaff, AZ 86001  
www.gfec.org

(928) 779-7658  
FAX: (928) 556-0940  
info@gfec.org

**Fredonia Chamber of Commerce**

P.O. Box 217  
Fredonia, AZ 86022

(928) 643-7241  
FAX: (928) 643-7627

**The Navajo Nation, Division of Economic Development**

P.O. Box 663  
Window Rock, Navajo Nation, AZ 86515

(928) 871-6544

**City of Page, Economic Development Office**

P.O. Box 1180  
Page, AZ 86040

(928) 645-8861  
FAX: (928) 645-4254

**Page/Lake Powell Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau**

P.O. Box 727  
Page, AZ 86040  
www.pagelakepowellchamber.org

(928) 645-2741  
FAX: (928) 645-3181

info@pagelakepowellchamber.org

**Williams-Grand Canyon Chamber of Commerce**

200 W. Railroad Ave.  
Williams, AZ 86046

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FAX: (928) 635-1417

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